

COUNTRY DATA: Portugal : Information from the CIA World Factbook

INTRODUCTION

Following its heyday as a global maritime power during the 15th and 16th centuries, Portugal lost much of its wealth and status with the destruction of Lisbon in a 1755 earthquake, occupation during the Napoleonic Wars, and the independence of its wealthiest colony of Brazil in 1822. A 1910 revolution deposed the monarchy; for most of the next six decades, repressive governments ran the country. In 1974, a left-wing military coup installed broad democratic reforms. The following year, Portugal granted independence to all of its African colonies. Portugal is a founding member of NATO and entered the EC (now the EU) in 1986. In January 2011, Portugal assumed a nonpermanent seat on the UN Security Council for the 2011-12 term.

GEOGRAPHY

Location	Southwestern Europe, bordering the North Atlantic Ocean, west of Spain
Area	<p>total: 92,090 sq km</p> <p>country comparison to the world: 110</p> <p>land: 91,470 sq km</p> <p>water: 620 sq km</p> <p>note: includes Azores and Madeira Islands</p>
Climate	maritime temperate; cool and rainy in north, warmer and drier in south
Natural Resources	fish, forests (cork), iron ore, copper, zinc, tin, tungsten, silver, gold, uranium, marble, clay, gypsum, salt, arable land, hydropower
Total Renewable Water Resources	73.6 cu km (2005)
Freshwater Withdrawal	<p>total: 11.09 cu km/yr (10%/12%/78%)</p> <p>per capita: 1,056 cu m/yr (1998)</p>
Natural Hazards	<p>Azores subject to severe earthquakes</p> <p>volcanism: Portugal experiences limited volcanic activity in the Azores Islands; Fayal or Faial (elev. 1,043 m, 3,422 ft) last erupted in 1958; most volcanoes have not erupted in centuries; historically active volcanoes include Agua de Pau, Furnas, Pico, Picos Volcanic System, San Jorge, Sete Cidades, and Terceira</p>
Environmental Issues	soil erosion; air pollution caused by industrial and vehicle emissions; water pollution, especially in coastal areas

PEOPLE

Population	10,760,305 (July 2011 est.)
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	country comparison to the world: 75
Ethnic Groups	homogeneous Mediterranean stock; citizens of black African descent who immigrated to mainland during decolonization number less than 100,000; since 1990 East Europeans have entered Portugal
Religions	Roman Catholic 84.5%, other Christian 2.2%, other 0.3%, unknown 9%, none 3.9% (2001 census)
Languages	Portuguese (official), Mirandese (official - but locally used)
Literacy Rate	definition: age 15 and over can read and write total population: 93.3% male: 95.5% female: 91.3% (2003 est.)
Major Infectious Diseases	N/A
GOVERNMENT	
Type	republic; parliamentary democracy
Independence	1143 (Kingdom of Portugal recognized); 5 October 1910 (republic proclaimed)
Constitution	adopted 2 April 1976; subsequently revised note: the revisions placed the military under strict civilian control, trimmed the powers of the president, and laid the groundwork for a stable, pluralistic liberal democracy; they allowed for the privatization of nationalized firms and government-owned communications media
Legal System	based on civil law system; the Constitutional Tribunal reviews the constitutionality of legislation; accepts compulsory ICJ jurisdiction with reservations
ECONOMY	
Agricultural Products	grain, potatoes, tomatoes, olives, grapes; sheep, cattle, goats, pigs, poultry, dairy products; fish
Industries	textiles, clothing, footwear, wood and cork, paper, chemicals, auto-parts manufacturing, base metals, dairy products, wine and other foods, porcelain and ceramics, glassware, technology, telecommunications; ship construction and refurbishment; tourism
Import commodities	agricultural products, food products, oil products, chemical products, plastics and rubber, skins and leather, wood and cork, wood pulp and paper, textile materials, clothing, footwear, minerals and mineral products, base metals, machinery and tools, vehicles and other transport material, and optical and precision instruments, computer accessories and parts, semi-conductors and related devices, household goods, passenger cars new and used, and wine products
Import Partners	Spain 31.58%, Germany 12.41%, France 8.58%, Italy 5.55%, Netherlands 5.31% (2009)
Export Commodities	agricultural products, food products, oil products, chemical products, plastics and rubber, skins and leather, wood and cork, wood pulp and paper, textile materials, clothing, footwear, minerals and mineral products, base metals, machinery and tools, vehicles and other transport material, and optical and precision instruments
Export Partners	Spain 26.25%, Germany 12.99%, France 12.04%, Angola 7.21%, UK 5.54% (2009)

Per Capita GDP	<p>\$23,000 (2010 est.)</p> <p>country comparison to the world: 56</p> <p>\$22,800 (2009 est.)</p> <p>\$23,500 (2008 est.)</p> <p>note: data are in 2010 US dollars</p>
Population below poverty line	18% (2006)

*CITATIONS: All information included above is extracted from the CIA World Factbook except where noted.

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General	
Life Expectancy at Birth (in years)	79.1
Average number of years in School (in years)	8.0
Gross National Income Per Capita (In US Dollars)	22,105
Gender Inequality	
Female Seats in Parliament (%)	28.3
Population with at least a Secondary Education Female (% Of 25 and older)	44.6
Population with at least a Secondary Education Male (% Of 25 and older)	43.8
Labor Force Participation Female (%)	69.0
Labor Force Participation Male (%)	79.6
Births Attended by Skilled Health Professionals (%)	100
Poverty	
Population surviving on \$1.25 per day (%)	n/a
Empowerment	
Number of Journalists Imprisoned	0
Corruption Victims (% of people who face a bribe situation in the last year)	6
Political Engagement (% percent of people who voiced opinion to public officials)	23

Sustainability	
Fossil Fuels as Primary Energy Source (%)	79
Renewable Resources as Primary Energy Source (%)	18
Population without Access to Water (%)	1
Population Without Access to Sanitation Services (%)	0
Population affected by natural disasters (% between 2000-2009)	LESS THAN 0.01
Human Security	
Number of Refugees leaving this country	0.0
Number of Internally Displaced People in This Country	..
Prevalence of Undernourishment (%)	<5
Demographics	
Urban Residents (% of total Population)	60.7
Health	
HIV Prevalence in Female Youth (% ages 15-24)	0.3
HIV Prevalence in Male Youth (% ages 15-24)	0.5
HIV Prevalence in Adults (% ages 15-49)	0.5
Other	
Official Development Assistance Per Capita (in US dollars)	..
Population without Electricity (%)	..

